



#### **GRACE AND PEACE IN CHRIST OUR LORD**

I trust my silly efforts on Sunday morning helped convey a much more profound and meaningful truth. Protecting ourselves in this cosmic battle requires more than what we can do on our own. My prayer for you, your family and our entire church is that we'll engage the spiritual armor of God to protect ourselves against the attacks of the enemy.

#### THE LORD'S SUPPER • SUNDAY IN BOTH SERVICES!

We're pleased to honor both of our ordinances - baptism and the Lord's Supper - this coming Sunday!

# STAINED GLASS DISCUSSION • OCT 26TH AT 4 PM WORSHIP CENTER

I'd like to invite you to join me in the Worship Center for an interpretative discussion of our existing stained glass windows. We'll discuss their history, their symbolism, and their current condition. I want to make it clear that this is informational only - there won't be any actions taken. This is just an informational meeting designed to make clear what we've enjoyed for more than 70 years in our Worship Center.

#### **CHURCH CONFERENCE • OCT 26TH AT 5 PM**

Meet us at 5 PM in our Fellowship Hall for this month's church conference. We'll be reporting on the fiscal year-end and bringing a report on the progress of the bells for the tower. Find the agenda elsewhere in this Banner. See you Sunday night!

#### CANDY JAM • OCT 29TH FROM 6 - 8 PM

I'm so excited about Candy Jam! This Sunday is your last opportunity to bring a bag of candy or a two-liter drink for us to give away. We'll have hundreds of people on our campus - our biggest crowd between VBS and Christmas Eve! If you're planning to serve as a volunteer, we need you to join us at 5:15 PM in the Fellowship Hall for a Volunteer meeting to make sure we're all on the same page! I hope to see you there!

#### **BIBLE READING INSIGHTS**

In our annual plan, you will be reading two of my favorite Psalms - 90 and 91. If you find yourself in need of a word of encouragement, hope, strength, and healing, see it in these two chapters. If you need a place to begin Scripture memory, there's no better place to start. Anchor yourself deeply here and find strength within.

Your servant,

Darin

# STEWARDSHIP REPORT

October 12, 2025 - Corrected						
WEEKLY		YEAR TO DATE				
\$	152,912	\$	280,656			
\$	146,985	\$	293,970			
\$	5,927	\$	-13,314			
\$	25	\$	505			
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October 19, 2025						
OFFERING	WEEKLY		YEAR TO DATE			
FBC Offering	\$	123,010	\$	403,666		
Budget Requirement	\$	146,985	\$	440,955		
Over/Under Budget	\$	-23,975	\$	-37,289		
Hope 1:8	\$	550	\$	1,055		

# **WEEK OF OCTOBER 26TH**

#### **SUNDAY**

8:30 AM Worship Service\* (Worship Center)

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service\* (Worship Center)

First Baptist en Español Service (Chapel)

International Bible Study (D100)

4:00 PM Bible Drill 4th-6th Grade (A209)

Stained-Glass Discussion (Worship Center)

5:00 PM Church Conference followed by

Experiencing God Study (Fellowship Hall)

\* Extended care is available for Birth - PreK during worship services. Worship Services are live streamed on our website at: fbc-midland.org as well as Facebook, YouTube, & Vimeo.

#### MONDAY

11:45 AM Brotherhood Luncheon (Fellowship Hall 2)

#### WEDNESDAY

5:15 PM Candy Jam Volunteer Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 PM Candy Jam (Fellowship Hall)

#### **THURSDAY**

6:30 AM Iron Man Book Study (D101/103) • Ends 10/30

12:00 PM Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

6:30 PM ESL Class (North Entrance, follow the signs.)

#### **FRIDAY**

6:30 AM Men's Prayer (Fellowship Hall)

10:30 AM Joyful Sound Choir Rehearsal (D101/103)

# CHURCH CONFERENCE AGENDA

## OCTOBER 26TH • 5 PM (FELLOWSHIP HALL)

#### **Approval of Minutes**

• Church Conference September 28, 2025

Approval of new members (September)

**Grant Church Letters** 

#### Reports:

- 1. Church Council Chairman
- 2. Finance Committee Chairman
- 3. Personnel Committee Chairman

#### **Old Business**

## **New Business**

- BGCT Messengers Abilene, TX
  - Darin Wood, Moe Bomer, Bryan Pinson, Jeff Suggs, Laz & Eva Diaz, Jeff Wash, Shumie Odirile, Allison Ashmore, Kay Kolb, Lisa Goforth
- · FBC Foundation Committee
  - Retha Hunnicutt 3 Year Term
  - Tom Hanna 3 Year Term
  - Denise Beckham 3 Year Term
- 2025-2026 Church Committee Additions
  - Personnel & Church Council Secretary Connie Burns
  - Infrastructure Chair Jeremy Reich;
     Infrastructure Vice-Chair Doug Noah
  - General Nominating Chair Stevie Young
  - Membership Chair April Paris
  - Finance Vice-Chair Randy Cotton

#### **Other Business**

## Adjourn

# **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

#### OCTOBER 29TH

# CANDY JAM – A SWEET NIGHT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Join us for Candy Jam, FBC's community-wide fall celebration! We're blocking off the street for an evening filled with bounce houses, carnival games, and tons of fun for all ages. Families can also walk through our halls to collect candy along the way. This is our way to share the love of Christ with our community while providing a safe, exciting, and family-friendly alternative to Halloween. Bring your kids, invite your neighbors, and don't miss this sweet night together!

#### **NOVEMBER 6TH**

## GENERATIONS LUNCHEON FEATURING: DR. SHELLIE O'NEAL PERFORMING "GOD BLESS AMERICA: A WWII RADIO HOUR".

Our Generations Luncheon will meet early this month as we gather to honor our veterans in recognition of Veterans Day. This special program will feature *Shellie portraying Sally Brennan*, a WWII radio personality who brings history to life by singing our nation's favorite anthems and radio commercials of the era, while sharing the stories behind the music and the people who helped shape our great country. Join us for fellowship, encouragement, and a meaningful time of gratitude for those who have served.

#### **NOVEMBER 6TH**

# TRIP INFORMATION MEETING: PENNSYLVANIA 2026



## Let's Talk About the Pennsylvania Trip!

We're so excited to share more details about our upcoming trip to Pennsylvania in Spring 2026! If you're curious about of what to expect, come join us for one of our Trip Information Meetings.

You can choose whichever time works best for you:

- Thursday at 1:00 PM in Room E114 (right after the Generations Luncheon)
- Sunday, November 9 at 4:00 PM in Room E114

We'd love for you to come, ask questions, and start dreaming about this incredible adventure together!

# ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

#### THANK YOU

To our church family, we want to sincerely thank each and every one of you from the bottom of our hearts for the faithful and constant prayers you have surrounded us both with. God has listened to each one and continues to heal us. We are thankful for this church and the friends who are willing to walk with us. God has truly blessed us through each one of you. To God be the glory!

Jeremy and Katheleen Reich

#### **BEREAVEMENTS**

During this time of loss, we surround you with love, prayer, and the comfort of Christ's presence. Though words can't take away the pain, we stand beside you in faith—honoring the lives of those we love and trusting in God's promise of peace and hope.

· Kay Burchard in the loss of her husband, Bill Burchard













It's Not Too Late to Join the 2026 Hymns, Worship & Ministry Tour to England!

There's still time to be part of an unforgettable journey next summer—our *Hymns, Worship & Ministry Tour to England*, June 28–July 6, 2026! Together we'll walk in the footsteps of some of the greatest hymn writers in history—John Newton ("Amazing Grace"), the Wesleys ("Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"), Frances Ridley Havergal ("Take My Life and Let It Be"), and more. We'll visit the towns and churches where these timeless songs were born, explore historic landmarks like Stonehenge, Cambridge, and London, and spend time in worship and fellowship along the way.

A highlight of the trip will be our ministry weekend with Grantham and his church in London, serving together with Hampton Wick Baptist Church in Teddington. This time of mission and shared worship will make the experience even more meaningful. If you've been considering the trip, now is the perfect time to reserve your spot!

For more information or to sign up, contact Jeff Wash or visit *fbcm.info/englandtrip*.

Come experience the stories behind the hymns we love—and let God use this journey to stir up our affection for Him in a fresh way.



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# **Church Office Hours**

Mon-Thurs, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Fri 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM Sunday

Worship Services at 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM • Sunday School at 9:45 AM Worship Services Online

> fbc-midland.org • facebook.com/fbcmidland youtube.com/fbcmidland • vimeo.com/fbcmidland Sunday Service Televised at

7:00 a.m. on KOSA CBS 7 10:00 a.m. on CW Channel

All televised services are broadcast with a one-week delay.



## THE MIDLAND CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL 2025 PRESENTED BY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MIDLAND

Celebrate the joy and wonder of Christmas at The Midland Christmas Festival 2025: Heaven's Greatest Gift. This original drama brings the story of Jesus' birth to life through inspiring music, powerful storytelling, and a multigenerational cast and choir.

Follow the journey of Pappy, a shepherd who once saw the skies filled with angels, as he shares the miracle of that holy night with his family. Experience the awe of the shepherds, the devotion of the wise men, and the hope that transforms hearts—even today.

#### PRESENTATION TIMES:

- Saturday, December 13 at 2:30 PM Sign Language Interpreted
- Sunday, December 14 at 2:30 PM & 6:00 PM
- Location: First Baptist Church of Midland
- Admission: Free no tickets required.

Join us as we celebrate Heaven's Greatest Gift—Jesus. Bring your family and friends for an unforgettable Christmas tradition filled with music, drama, and the message of hope that changes everything.



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